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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 55

2 WHEREAS, The boundaries of the 32nd Representative  
3 District are generally in the inner city of Chicago extending  
4 to the southwest suburbs of Burbank, Bridgeview, Hickory Hills,  
5 and Justice, Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, The 32nd Representative District has a voting age  
7 population of 108,734 people of various ethnic and  
8 socio-economic backgrounds; and

9 WHEREAS, 27,909 of the residents of the 32nd Representative  
10 District live at or below the federal poverty level; and

11 WHEREAS, The 32nd Representative District ranks in the top  
12 3 of Representative Districts reporting incidents of violent  
13 crime; and

14 WHEREAS, The Dan Ryan Expressway is that 12 mile portion of  
15 I-90/94 located in the City of Chicago spanning from  
16 approximately 95th Street to the south and Roosevelt Road to  
17 the north; and

18 WHEREAS, The Dan Ryan Expressway travels through the 32nd  
19 Representative District one linear mile from 67th Street to the  
20 north and 76th Street to the south; and

1           WHEREAS, Within the 32nd Representative District lies  
2 Halsted Street one mile west of the Dan Ryan Expressway; and,  
3 Cottage Grove Avenue one mile east of the Dan Ryan Expressway;  
4 this area generally encompasses the communities of Englewood  
5 and Grand Crossing including the Park Manor neighborhood; and

6           WHEREAS, In November of 1985, Mayor Harold Washington  
7 entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the State of  
8 Illinois whereby the State of Illinois could operate Illinois  
9 State Lottery kiosks at O'Hare International Airport; and,  
10 subsequently Chicago Midway International Airport; and

11           WHEREAS, In November of 1985, Governor James R. Thompson  
12 entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of  
13 Chicago whereby the Illinois State Police would patrol the Dan  
14 Ryan Expressway; and, all other expressways in the City of  
15 Chicago; and

16           WHEREAS, The State of Illinois receives monies after the  
17 imposition of fines and penalties upon those persons cited for,  
18 among other things, improperly operating motor vehicles on the  
19 Dan Ryan Expressway between 67th Street and 76th Street; and

20           WHEREAS, The State of Illinois derives financial profits  
21 directly from the Illinois State Lottery kiosks located at both

1 O'Hare International and Chicago Midway International  
2 Airports; and

3 WHEREAS, The Illinois State Lottery is successfully  
4 managed by Northstar Lottery Group, a subsidiary of the Italian  
5 company GTech Corporation, which exponentially surpassed the  
6 calculable revenue goals and expectations of the Illinois State  
7 Lottery deriving substantial profits for the Lottery; and

8 WHEREAS, In fact, the Illinois State Lottery posted fiscal  
9 year 2013 revenues of: (1) \$4,939,990 from O'Hare International  
10 Airport; (2) \$696,776 from Chicago Midway International  
11 Airport; and (3) \$2,841,000,000 overall, of which \$656,000,000  
12 was used to support education funding and \$135,000,000 was used  
13 to support the State's capital infrastructure program; and

14 WHEREAS, It will not be a financial burden on the State of  
15 Illinois for the Illinois State Police to expand its patrol  
16 area, from the Dan Ryan Expressway between 67th Street and 76th  
17 Street one linear mile east and one linear mile west, to  
18 support efforts at combating violent crime in the State of  
19 Illinois; and

20 WHEREAS, Since as late as 1999, the Illinois State Police  
21 were dispatched to and patrolled the City of East St. Louis,  
22 Illinois to support efforts to combat crime in the State of

1 Illinois; and

2 WHEREAS, As of the date of the filing of this resolution,  
3 over 700 registered voters, within the 2 mile rectangular  
4 boundary of the Dan Ryan Expressway between 67th Street and  
5 76th Street, have signed a petition imploring the Governor of  
6 the State of Illinois to dispatch the Illinois State Police,  
7 with all deliberate speed, to that specific area within the  
8 32nd Representative District for a reasonable period of time;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, These 700 affected residents of the 32nd  
11 Representative District have stated that they are in immediate  
12 need of assistance and relief to protect their health, safety  
13 and welfare; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
15 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
16 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Englewood  
17 Violent Crime Task Force within the Illinois State Police, to  
18 consist of the following:

19 (1) the Governor, or his or her designee;

20 (2) the Mayor of the City of Chicago, or his or her  
21 designee;

22 (3) the Mayor of the City of East St. Louis, or his or  
23 her designee;

1 (4) the Illinois Attorney General, or his or her  
2 designee;

3 (5) a member of the Illinois State's Attorneys  
4 Association appointed by the President of the Association;

5 (6) a member of the Cook County Bar Association  
6 appointed by the President of the Association;

7 (7) the manager of the Illinois State Lottery;

8 (8) two members of the Illinois House of  
9 Representatives chosen by the Speaker of the Illinois House  
10 of Representatives, one of whom shall serve as co-chair;

11 (9) two members of the Illinois House of  
12 Representatives chosen by the Minority Leader of the  
13 Illinois House of Representatives;

14 (10) two members of the Illinois Senate chosen by the  
15 President of the Illinois Senate, one of whom shall serve  
16 as co-chair;

17 (11) two members of the Illinois Senate chosen by the  
18 Minority Leader of the Illinois Senate;

19 (12) the President of the Park Manor Neighbors  
20 Community Council;

21 (13) the Executive Director of Project Brotherhood;

22 (14) the President of the Student Government  
23 Association at the University of Illinois at Chicago;

24 (15) the President of the Student Government  
25 Association at Chicago State University;

26 (16) the Director of Corrections, or his or her

1           designee who must:

2                   (A) be from the Department of Parole;

3                   (B) be an active field agent; and

4                   (C) possess at least a master's degree in criminal  
5           justice or criminology;

6                   (17) a faculty member of the Department of Criminology,  
7           Law & Justice at the University of Illinois at Chicago  
8           appointed by the President of the University of Illinois;

9                   (18) a member of the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce  
10          appointed by the chairman of the board of the Chicagoland  
11          Chamber of Commerce;

12                   (19) a member of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce  
13          appointed by the chairman of the board of the Illinois  
14          Chamber of Commerce; and

15                   (20) a member of the Illinois Retail Merchants  
16          Association appointed by the President/CEO of the Illinois  
17          Retail Merchants Association; and be it further

18           RESOLVED, That all appointments shall be made no later than  
19          45 days following adoption of this resolution; and be it  
20          further

21           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall study and determine the  
22          causes of violent crime in Englewood and nearby affected  
23          communities; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall study and determine the  
2 feasibility of deploying the Illinois State Police to Englewood  
3 and nearby affected communities and neighborhoods; and be it  
4 further

5           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall develop a comprehensive  
6 long-term solution to the effect of violent crime in Englewood  
7 and nearby affected communities; and be it further

8           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall recommend a plan of  
9 action to substantially reduce the incidents of violent crime  
10 in Englewood and nearby affected communities; and be it further

11           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall draft any necessary  
12 legislation and make any necessary recommendations for  
13 appropriations for the General Assembly to pass and the  
14 Governor to sign to place the plan of action into immediate  
15 effect; and be it further

16           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall report its findings and  
17 recommendations and submit any and all proposed legislation to  
18 the Governor and General Assembly on or before December 31,  
19 2014; and be it further

20           RESOLVED, That the members of the Task Force shall serve  
21 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their

1 reasonable and necessary expenses from the funds appropriated  
2 for that purpose from the Illinois State Police; and be it  
3 further

4       RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to  
5 the Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives, the  
6 Minority Leader of the Illinois House of Representatives, the  
7 President of the Illinois Senate, the Minority Leader of the  
8 Illinois Senate, the Governor of the State of Illinois, and the  
9 Director of State Police.